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APPLICANT : Paul Hansma et al.)
SERIAL NO.: 08/709,349) Examiner Unknown
FILED : 9/6/96) Art Unit 2516
FOR : Atomic Force Microscope)
for Generating a Small Incident Beam)
DOCKET NO.: 1279-225XX)

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Asst. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

An extension of time to answer the Office Action of
November 10, 1997, is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is requested
extend the time to answer for one month to **March 10, 1998**.

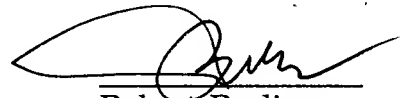
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Respectfully submitted,



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